

Paxton Landfill
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Permit File

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Mr. Lawrence W. Eastep, P.E.
Manager, Permit Section
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
Division of Land Pollution Control
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Springfield, Illinois 62702-3498

Re: Paxton Landfill Leachate

Dear Mr. Eastep:

For the last several years, Land and Lakes Company has notified the Agency regarding generation of leachate from the Paxton landfill. On numerous occasions, leachate was observed bubbling out of the southern slope of Paxton's landfill, where the material entered our drainage ditch which flows towards Stony Island Avenue and ultimately Lake Calumet.

The most recent occurrence was observed on January 22, where the leachate flow was substantial enough to flood the perimeter road on Paxton's site. Land and Lakes Company diked off the flow to keep it on Paxton's property and contacted your Maywood staff. We were extremely pleased to see Gino Bruni and Chuck Gruntman promptly respond by visiting the site that same day. Mr. Bruni also came out to the site with Rob Sulski on an earlier date and recorded the same occurrence.

We sincerely appreciate the Agency's time and assistance in investigating this violation, and would encourage your staff to take whatever action may be necessary to require that Paxton properly manage the leachate generated by their facility. Land and Lakes Company does not want to be held responsible for contaminated waters entering our property or Lake Calumet, and hope we do not need to proceed with any civil action.

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Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or comments. Again, we greatly appreciate the help given to us by your Maywood office.

Sincerely,

LAND AND LAKES COMPANY



James T. Ambroso
Environmental Manager

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cc: Gino Bruni/IEPA, Maywood
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